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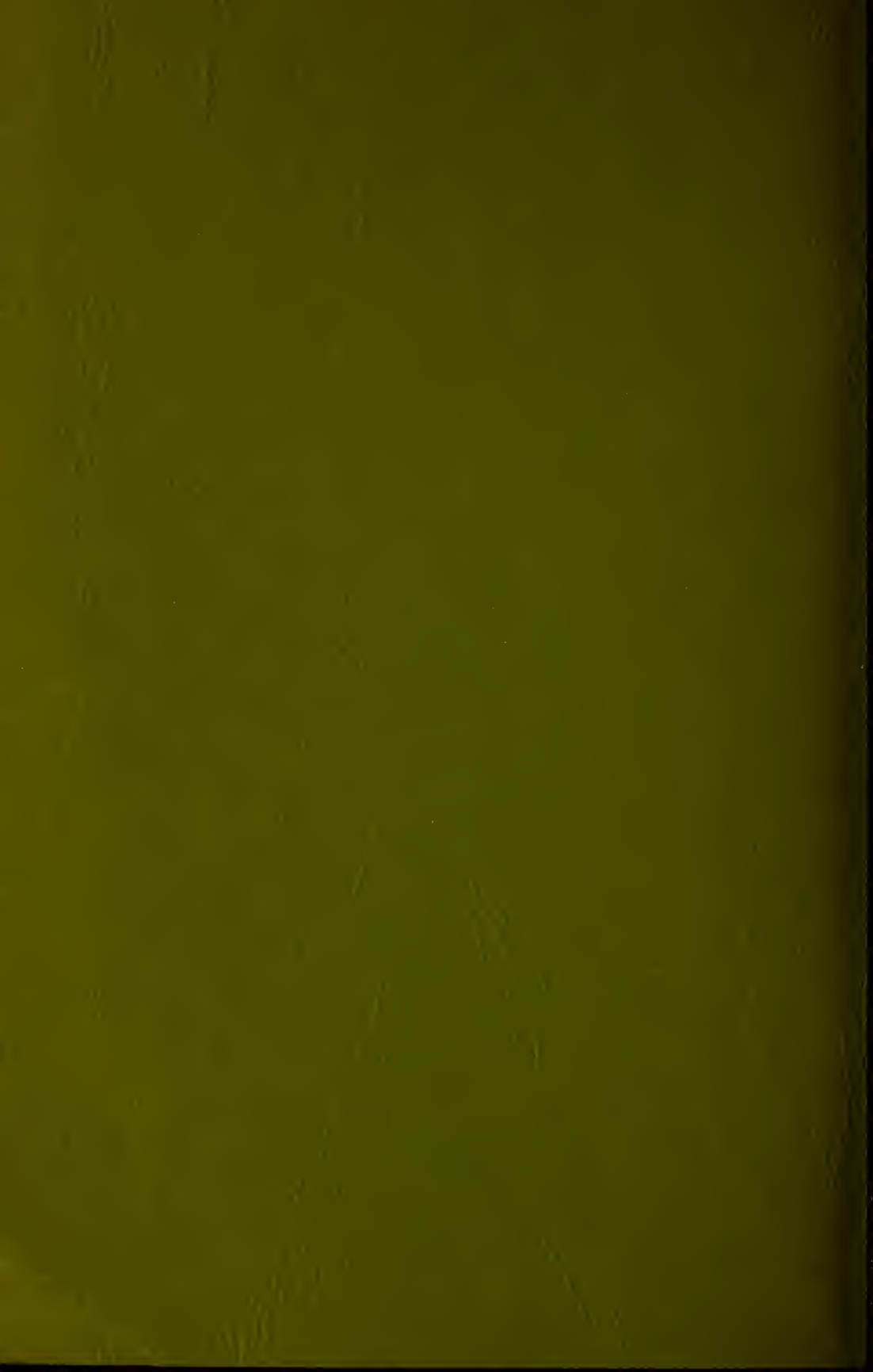


## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

1968





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JUSTICE BUILDING  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

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*Director*

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*To The Honorable, The Chief Justice of  
The Supreme Court of North Carolina*

Submitted herewith is the Third Annual Report of the Administrative Officer of the Courts. This Report, prepared pursuant to G.S. 7A-343, relates to the 1968 calendar year.

BERT M. MONTAGUE  
*Director*

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## FOREWORD

A constitutional amendment adopted in 1962 provided the framework for a unified court system in North Carolina. The 1963 General Assembly created a Courts Commission and charged it with the responsibility of preparing and drafting the legislation necessary for complete implementation of the new Judicial Article. This Commission, composed largely of legislative leaders and under the chairmanship of Senator Lindsay C. Warren, Jr., immediately embarked upon its task. Its major production was recommended legislation which was enacted as "The Judicial Department Act of 1965". This Act prescribed the organizational and operational details of the General Court of Justice and established an Administrative Office of the Courts.

The 1962 Judicial Article provided for an Appellate Division consisting of the Supreme Court, a Superior Court Division and a District Court Division in the General Court of Justice. The 1965 Act provided for gradual implementation of the new court system. The schedule of activation is shown in Appendix I. Because of the increasing burden of appellate work, it became necessary to provide an additional court in the Appellate Division. The Constitution was again amended in 1965 to authorize the new appellate court.

In the trial divisions of the General Court of Justice, criminal cases are allocated on a jurisdictional basis. There is no jurisdictional division as to civil cases. The District Court Division has exclusive original jurisdiction of misdemeanors. The District Court is the proper division for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy is \$5,000 or less. It is also the forum for domestic relations and juvenile cases. No jury is provided in the District Court for criminal trials. Each defendant has the right of appeal to the Superior Court and to trial *de novo*. Jury trial is provided, upon demand, in the District Court in civil matters, and appeal is to the Court of Appeals.

There will be 112 District Court Judges when the establishment of the new system is completed. The judges are elected to four-year terms. A Chief District Judge with very extensive administrative authority is designated in each district by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Specialized judgeships are authorized.

A district court prosecutor is authorized for each judicial district. A specified number of assistants is authorized for districts in which the workload requires more than one. On January 1, 1971, the office of district prosecutor will be abolished and the Solicitor, with a designated number of assistants, will be responsible for prosecution in the superior court and district court divisions.



Family counseling services are provided in any judicial district having a county with a population of 85,000 or more. The clerk of superior court in each county is required to establish and maintain, under the supervision of the Administrative Office of the Courts, an office of consolidated records of all judicial proceedings in the trial division of the General Court of Justice. He retains his former jurisdiction in special proceedings, probate of wills, and administration of decedents estates.

Magistrates, assigned to duty by and closely supervised by the Chief District Judges, are authorized for each county. Their major function will be issuing warrants. They are also empowered to hear small claims actions, accept guilty pleas in non-traffic misdemeanors for which punishment cannot exceed a fine of \$50 or imprisonment for 30 days, accept waivers of trial and pleas of guilty in minor traffic cases in accordance with a schedule of offenses and fines established by the Chief District Judge, conduct preliminary examinations in misdemeanor cases, grant bail before trial in non-capital cases, and to perform certain ministerial duties formerly authorized for justices of the peace.

When the District Court is established in a county, all previously existing inferior courts, including the justice of the peace courts, are abolished. This change will be completed on December 7, 1970. The operation of the courts has been declared to be a State function. All operating expenses of the Judicial Department will be paid from State funds. The only expenses left upon local governing bodies are those related to furnishing and equipping the courtrooms and related judicial facilities. To aid the counties in meeting this expense, the law provides for a facilities fee to be assessed in the bill of costs in every case processed by the trial division of the General Court of Justice.

The new court system established by the Judicial Department Act of 1965 was instituted in 22 counties on December 5, 1966. The new Court of Appeals authorized by the 1965 constitutional amendment was established by the 1967 General Assembly. Its jurisdiction appears in Appendix II. The Court of Appeals now consists of nine judges who sit in panels of three. The district court was established in 61 additional counties on December 2, 1968.

An Act of the 1969 General Assembly established the Courts Commission on a permanent basis. Having completed its task of implementing the new court system, the commission will continue to study the structure and operations of the Judicial Department and to recommend improvements.

## THE COURTS COMMISSION

1968

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## THE APPELLATE DIVISION

The appellate division was expanded by creation of the Court of Appeals. The year 1968 witnessed the first full year of operation for this enlarged division. The Court of Appeals, approved by the voters in 1965 and established by the 1967 General Assembly, began operation on October 1, 1967 with six judges. It began hearing cases on January 30, 1968. Three additional judges were appointed in July 1969.

Since providing relief for the heavily burdened Supreme Court was one of the chief reasons for establishing the Court of Appeals, a statistical examination with this purpose in mind is important. During 1968, the Supreme Court wrote 162 opinions. Full opinions were written in 138 cases, and per curiam opinions in 24. Of these opinions, 99 were in civil cases and 63 in criminal matters. The Supreme Court affirmed the lower court in 97 cases, and took corrective action in 65 cases. The court also considered 134 motions and petitions, many of them petitions for certiorari after an adverse opinion of the Court of Appeals.

The Court of Appeals, sitting in panels of three, considered 582 cases during 1968. Opinions were written in 428 cases. A great majority of the appeals, 534 (332 civil and 202 criminal), came from the Superior Court, with only 13 from the District Court, 30 from the Industrial Commission, and 5 from the Utilities Commission. The court affirmed the lower bodies in 306 instances and took corrective action in 122.

Comparison of the workload of the Supreme Court during 1968 with previous years reveals that the Court of Appeals has provided the much needed relief for the previously overburdened court. This leaves the Supreme Court free to examine carefully the truly significant questions of law.

# JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

*Chief Justice:*

R. HUNT PARKER

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*Associate Justices:*

WILLIAM H. BOBBITT,  
CARLISLE W. HIGGINS,  
SUSIE SHARP,

I. BEVERLY LAKE,  
JOSEPH BRANCH,  
J. FRANK HUSKINS.

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*Emergency Justices:*

WILLIAM B. RODMAN, JR.,  
EMERY B. DENNY,  
J. WILL PLESS, JR.

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## SUPREME COURT

Cases Decided By Written Opinions

1958 - 1968

	<i>Full Opinions</i>	<i>Per Curiam</i>	<i>Total</i>
1958 - 59	257	58	315
1959 - 60	277	81	358
1960 - 61	270	77	347
1961 - 62	262	81	343
1962 - 63	287	92	379
1963 - 64	277	142	419
1964 - 65	304	169	473
1965 - 66	287	178	465
1967	340	125	465
1968	138	24	162

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## JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

*Chief Judge:*

RAYMOND B. MALLARD

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DAVID M. BRITT  
NAOMI E. MORRIS

FRANK M. PARKER  
EARL W. VAUGHN  
R. A. HEDRICK  
WILLIAM E. GRAHAM, JR.

## THE SUPERIOR COURT

During 1968 there were 70,115 cases filed in the Superior Court, an increase of 8.3% over 1967. 82,879 cases were disposed of, 26.7% more than in 1967. The rate of increase in filings would have been even higher were it not for the fact that the district courts heard many of the cases formerly filed in superior court. The great increase in dispositions over the previous year is due to several factors. When the 61 additional counties began operating under the district court system in December 1968, a large number of pending cases was transferred from the Superior Court to the district court. Also, the court schedule was increased by 108 days, and there was an increase of 227 days in the amount of court utilized. Most of the additional court was in counties with the heaviest case loads, as indicated by statistics furnished to the Administrative Office. The small increase in the number of new cases and the large increase in the disposition of cases resulted in a 25.1% reduction in the number of pending cases on December 31, 1968 as compared to December 31, 1967.

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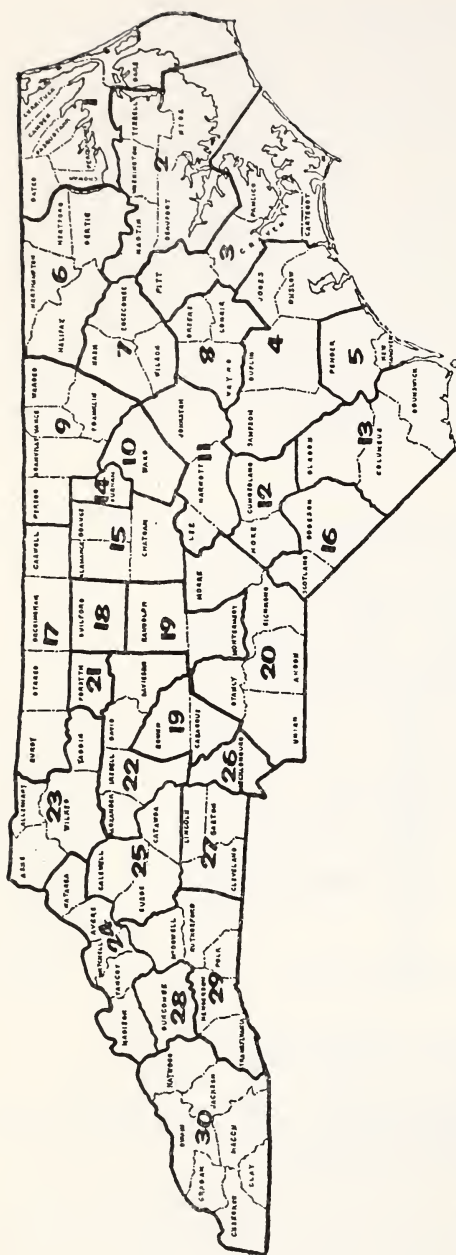
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## A NOTE ON STATISTICS

Statistical data for the superior and district courts was furnished by the Clerk of Superior Court in each county. In a few instances slight discrepancies appear in some of the figures.



### By Districts

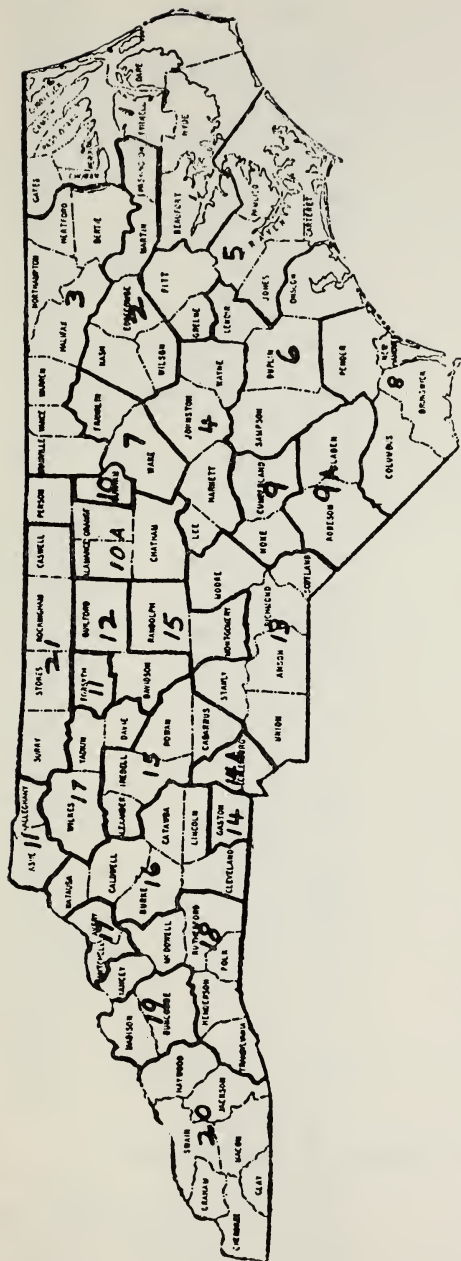
1. Walter W. Cohoon
2. Elbert S. Peel, Jr.
3. William J. Bundy
4. Howard H. Hubbard
5. Rudolph I. Mintz
6. Joseph W. Parker
7. George M. Fountain
8. Albert W. Cowper
9. Hamilton H. Hobgood
10. William Y. Bickett
11. James H. Pou Bailey
12. Harry E. Canaday
13. E. Maurice Braswell
14. Coy E. Brewer
15. Edward B. Clark
16. Clarence W. Hall
17. Leo Carr
18. Henry A. McKinnon, Jr.
19. Allen H. Gwyn
20. Walter E. Crissman

### SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES

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19. Frank M. Armstrong
20. John D. McConnell
21. Walter E. Johnston, Jr.
22. Harvey A. Lupton
23. Robert M. Gambill
24. W. E. Anglin
25. Sam J. Ervin, III
26. Fred H. Hasty
27. William T. Grist
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30. W. K. McLean
31. Harry C. Martin
32. J. W. Jackson
33. T. D. Bryson

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Williamston  
Greenville  
Clinton  
Wilmington  
Windsor  
Tarboro  
Kinston  
Raleigh  
Louisburg  
Raleigh  
Benson  
Fayetteville  
Fayetteville  
Elizabethtown  
Durham  
Burlington  
Lumberton  
Reidsville  
High Point

- Special Judges**  
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James C. Bowman  
J. William Copeland  
A. Pilston Godwin, Jr.  
Robert M. Martin  
Hubert E. May  
Lucy H. Thornburg  
George R. Ragsdale
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W. H. S. Burgwyn  
Zeb V. Nettles  
Hubert E. Olive  
George B. Patton  
F. Donald Phillips  
Francis O. Clarkson  
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Franklin  
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Charlotte  
Warsaw  
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## SOLICITORS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

### BY SOLICITORIAL DISTRICTS

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Camden	Caroline G. Halstead
Carteret	A. H. James
Caswell	G. M. Harris
Catawba	Eunice Mauney
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Cherokee	D. W. Ramsey
Chowan	Lena M. Leary
Clay	Ralph A. Allison
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Cumberland	Marion B. Person
Currituck	R. E. Saunders
Dare	C. S. Meekins
Davidson	E. R. Everhart
Davie	Glenn L. Hammer
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Graham	O. W. Hooper, Jr.
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Greene	S. T. Barrow
Guilford	J. P. Shore
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Harnett	Elizabeth F. Matthews
Haywood	J. B. Siler
Henderson	J. Seldon Osteen
Hertford	A. W. Greene
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Iredell	C. G. Smith
Jackson	Margaret W. Henson
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Lee	Sion H. Kelly

## County

Lenoir  
Lincoln  
Macon  
Madison  
Martin  
McDowell  
Mecklenburg  
Mitchell  
Montgomery  
Moore  
Nash  
New Hanover  
Northampton  
Onslow  
Orange  
Pamlico  
Pasquotank  
Pender  
Perquimans  
Person  
Pitt  
Polk  
Randolph  
Richmond  
Robeson  
Rockingham  
Rowan  
Rutherford  
Sampson  
Scotland  
Stanly  
Stokes  
Surry  
Swain  
Transylvania  
Tyrrell  
Union  
Vance  
Wake  
Warren  
Washington  
Watauga  
Wayne  
Wilkes  
Wilson  
Yadkin  
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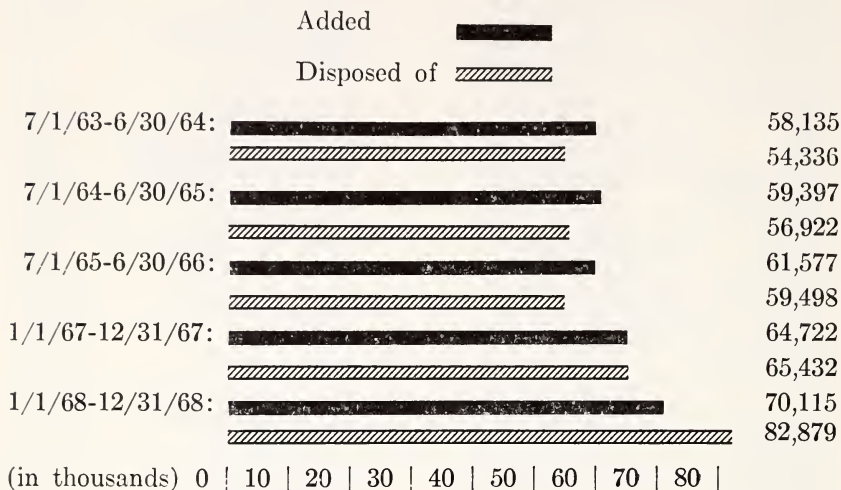
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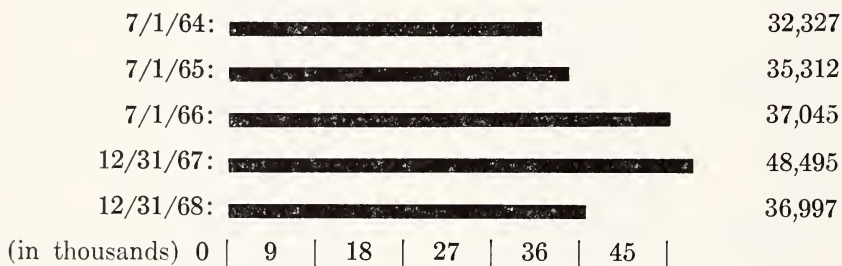
# **TOTAL CASES ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1963 - December 31, 1968**



## **TOTAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1964 - December 31, 1968**



## **UTILIZATION OF SCHEDULED COURT**

**July 1, 1963 - December 31, 1968**

	<u>Days Scheduled</u>	<u>Days Held</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
7/1/63-6/30/64	8513	7158½	84.
7/1/64-6/30/65	8724	7155	82.
7/1/65-6/30/66	9129	7462½	81.7
1/1/67-12/31/67	9313	7815	83.9
1/1/68-12/31/68	9421	8042	85.4

## CIVIL DOCKETS

There was an increase of 4.8% in civil filings during 1968. Dispositions increased 36.4% over the previous year. When these rates are applied to the pending case load there is a significant decrease in pending cases and a sharp reversal of the former trend of rapid accumulation of cases.

Upon observation of the distribution of pending cases among the counties, it appears that most counties have light pending case loads while a few have a large number of pending cases. A comparison of the dispositions for 1967 and 1968 reveals that many counties reduced their civil dockets. Also, the increased court schedule in the busiest counties helped increase the dispositions.

The ten counties with the largest civil dockets accounted for 53% of the total pending civil cases on December 31, 1968. Although the number of civil cases pending statewide decreased 28.7% by December 31, 1968, this decrease was not strictly proportioned. The reduction occurred primarily in the counties in which the district court was established in 1968. In 9 of the 10 counties with the largest accumulated case loads the statewide percentage of utilization of civil court was exceeded.

**CIVIL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS  
BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS**

January 1, 1968 — December 31, 1968

	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Judge	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
<i>1ST DISTRICT</i>								
Camden	17	5	1	1	4	6	16 —	1
Chowan	31	8	0	4	7	11	28 —	3
Currituck	26	6	1	2	9	12	20 —	6
Dare	35	15	0	6	4	10	40 +	5
Gates	23	6	6	3	1	10	19 —	4
Pasquotank	100	45	2	30	35	67	78 —	22
Perquimans	34	15	3	2	12	17	32 —	2
<b>TOTAL —</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>233 —</b>	<b>33</b>

*2ND DISTRICT*

Beaufort	246	1,154	54	105	42	201	1,199 +	953
Hyde	35	31	7	34	12	53	13 —	22
Martin	218	186	45	69	250	364	40 —	178
Tyrrell								
Washington	61	54	3	29	65	97	18 —	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>1,270 +</b>	<b>710</b>

*3RD DISTRICT*

Carteret	590	382	15	213	567	795	177 —	413
Craven	634	1,370	5	283	1,604	1,892	112 —	522
Pamlico	73	38	9	30	65	104	7 —	66
Pitt	856	595	33	213	1,048	1,294	157 —	699
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,153</b>	<b>2,385</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>3,284</b>	<b>4,085</b>	<b>453 —</b>	<b>1,700</b>

*4TH DISTRICT*

Duplin	461	207	11	59	473	543	161 —	300
Jones	77	43	7	20	66	93	27 —	50
Onslow	268	519	51	311	332	694	166 —	102
Sampson	289	268	35	101	83	219	338 +	49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,549</b>	<b>692 —</b>	<b>403</b>

*5TH DISTRICT*

New Hanover	1,687	793	145	397	1,669	2,211	269 —	1,418
Pender	416	180	4	25	513	542	54 —	362
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,103</b>	<b>973</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>2,182</b>	<b>2,753</b>	<b>323 —</b>	<b>1,780</b>

*6TH DISTRICT*

Bertie	123	69	6	19	37	62	130 +	7
Halifax	814	273	14	669	158	841	246 —	568
Hertford	234	155	36	34	291	361	28 —	206
Northampton	151	109	13	53	59	125	135 —	16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,322</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>1,389</b>	<b>539 —</b>	<b>783</b>



	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Judge	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
<b>7TH DISTRICT</b>								
Edgecombe	598	231	14	82	259	355	474	— 124
Nash	306	1,284	25	1,308	135	1,468	122	— 184
Wilson	425	252	33	128	451	612	180	— 245
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,329</b>	<b>1,767</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1,518</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>2,435</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>— 553</b>

#### **8TH DISTRICT**

Greene	66	33	1	8	62	71	28	— 38
Lenoir	1,243	684	46	223	373	642	1,285	+ 42
Wayne	633	654	36	329	757	1,122	165	— 468
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,942</b>	<b>1,371</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>1,835</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>— 464</b>

#### **9TH DISTRICT**

Franklin	471	131	17	21	370	408	194	— 277
Granville	144	135	12	53	28	93	186	+ 42
Person	137	180	34	74	185	293	24	— 113
Vance	160	172	5	24	153	182	150	— 0
Warren	74	54	7	32	58	97	31	— 43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>— 401</b>

#### **10TH DISTRICT**

Wake	1,816	2,017	588	791	1,953	3,332	501	— 1,315
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>1,953</b>	<b>3,332</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>— 1,315</b>

#### **11TH DISTRICT**

Lee	286	278	30	125	575	730	62	— 224
Harnett	1,817	299	27	108	1,757	1,892	224	— 1,593
Johnston	439	292	33	100	432	565	166	— 273
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,542</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>2,764</b>	<b>3,187</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>— 2,090</b>

#### **12TH DISTRICT**

Cumberland	523	238	22	240	176	438	323	— 200
Hoke	50	11	3	4	4	11	50	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>— 200</b>

#### **13TH DISTRICT**

Bladen	344	104	17	79	312	408	40	— 304
Brunswick	327	189	10	46	320	376	140	— 187
Columbus	861	473	49	508	514	1,071	263	— 598
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,532</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>1,855</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>— 1,089</b>

#### **14TH DISTRICT**

Durham	793	160	47	115	135	297	656	— 137
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>— 137</b>

#### **15TH DISTRICT**

Alamance	645	429	37	61	296	394	680	+ 35
Chatham	277	152	12	72	58	142	287	+ 10
Orange	350	181	33	149	270	452	79	— 271
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,272</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>— 226</b>

	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Judge	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
<b>16TH DISTRICT</b>								
Robeson	402	71	13	189	168	370	103 —	299
Scotland	148	34	5	33	54	92	90 —	58
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>193 —</b>	<b>357</b>

#### **17TH DISTRICT**

Caswell	20	42	3	17	30	50	12 —	8
Rockingham	457	504	75	265	110	450	511 +	54
Stokes	44	129	5	72	21	98	75 +	31
Surry	441	355	56	119	161	336	460 +	19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>1,058 +</b>	<b>96</b>

#### **18TH DISTRICT**

Guilford								
Greensboro	1,174	1,439	142	609	1,342	2,093	520 —	654
High Point	330	176	40	44	197	281	225 —	105
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,504</b>	<b>1,615</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>1,539</b>	<b>2,374</b>	<b>745 —</b>	<b>759</b>

#### **19TH DISTRICT**

Cabarrus	559	823	67	380	365	812	570 +	11
Montgomery	53	76	6	36	43	85	44 —	9
Randolph	535	167	35	77	28	140	562 +	27
Rowan	490	396	17	372	188	577	309 —	181
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,637</b>	<b>1,462</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,485 —</b>	<b>152</b>

#### **20TH DISTRICT**

Moore	712	243	30	144	608	782	173 —	539
Anson	111	67	9	41	102	152	26 —	85
Richmond	328	311	48	205	236	489	149 —	179
Stanly	101	103	7	31	106	144	60 —	41
Union	153	205	26	90	180	296	62 —	91
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,405</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>470 —</b>	<b>935</b>

#### **21ST DISTRICT**

Forsyth	1,610	1,700	83	1,028	533	1,644	1,666 +	56
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>1,028</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>1,644</b>	<b>1,666 +</b>	<b>56</b>

#### **22ND DISTRICT**

Alexander	47	53	4	31	23	58	42 —	5
Davidson	307	493	57	293	215	565	235 —	72
Davie	43	128	5	57	30	92	79 +	36
Iredell	743	504	33	205	353	591	656 —	87
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,178</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>1,012 —</b>	<b>128</b>

#### **23RD DISTRICT**

Alleghany	19	48	5	16	16	37	30 +	11
Ashe	31	75	9	36	35	80	26 —	5
Wilkes	235	841	62	245	343	650	426 +	191
Yadkin	174	114	11	50	41	102	186 +	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>668 +</b>	<b>209</b>

<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Judge	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
Avery	15	45	7	16	24	47	13	— 2
Madison	41	59	4	36	9	49	51	+ 10
Mitchell	26	45	4	34	25	63	8	— 18
Watauga	51	71	8	35	51	94	28	— 23
Yancy	125	96	7	42	100	149	72	— 53
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>— 86</b>

#### 25TH DISTRICT

Catawba	195	74	10	29	24	63	206	+ 11
Burke	225	94	20	108	108	236	83	— 142
Caldwell	82	58	5	36	24	65	75	— 7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>— 138</b>

#### 26TH DISTRICT

Mecklenburg	3,885	4,753	245	1,242	2,234	3,721	4,917	+ 1,032
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,885</b>	<b>4,753</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>2,234</b>	<b>3,721</b>	<b>4,917</b>	<b>+ 1,032</b>

#### 27TH DISTRICT

Cleveland	415	423	46	314	261	621	217	— 198
Gaston	797	1,341	103	747	839	1,689	449	— 348
Lincoln	89	157	21	184	22	227	19	— 70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,301</b>	<b>1,921</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>2,537</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>— 616</b>

#### 28TH DISTRICT

Buncombe	547	739	120	565	139	824	462	— 85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>— 85</b>

#### 29TH DISTRICT

Henderson	164	86	15	62	39	116	134	— 30
McDowell	207	202	22	60	77	159	250	+ 43
Polk								
Rutherford	93	224	40	137	31	208	109	+ 16
Transylvania	70	105	7	53	96	157	18	— 52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>— 23</b>

#### 30TH DISTRICT

Cherokee	105	48	0	15	57	72	81	— 24
Clay	7	14	0	0	5	5	16	+ 9
Graham	59	10	1	6	1	8	61	+ 2
Haywood	195	46	8	33	47	88	153	— 42
Jackson	130	21	0	3	6	9	142	+ 12
Macon	50	32	2	6	8	16	66	+ 16
Swain	47	21	1	10	11	22	46	— 1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>— 28</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>37,271</b>	<b>33,020</b>	<b>3,193</b>	<b>15,850</b>	<b>26,805</b>	<b>45,848</b>	<b>24,793</b>	<b>— 12,478</b>

Per Cent 7.0 34.6 58.5 100%

# UTILIZATION OF CIVIL COURT TERMS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

1968 Calendar Year

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<i><u>1ST DISTRICT</u></i>				
Camden	7	2½	4½	28.0
Chowan	5	2	3	40.
Currituck	10	9	1	90.
Dare	5	5	0	100.
Gates	10	8	2	80.
Pasquotank	30	13½	16½	22.2
Perquimans	5	3	2	60.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>59.7</b>
<i><u>2ND DISTRICT</u></i>				
Beaufort	65	56	9	86.2
Hyde	9	6	3	33.3
Martin	26½	18¾	7¾	70.8
Tyrrell	5	3	2	60.0
Washington	12	6	6	50.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>117½</b>	<b>89¾</b>	<b>27¾</b>	<b>76.4</b>
<i><u>3RD DISTRICT</u></i>				
Carteret	48	39	9	81.3
Craven	43	33	10	76.7
Pamlico	10	6	4	60.0
Pitt	40	31	9	77.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>77.3</b>
<i><u>4TH DISTRICT</u></i>				
Duplin	25	19	6	76.0
Jones	13	6	7	46.2
Onslow	51	30	21	58.8
Sampson	50	29½	20½	59.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>84½</b>	<b>54½</b>	<b>60.8</b>
<i><u>5TH DISTRICT</u></i>				
New Hanover	150	132	18	88.0
Pender	10	7	3	70.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>86.9</b>
<i><u>6TH DISTRICT</u></i>				
Bertie	18	17	1	94.4
Halifax	50	32	18	64.0
Hertford	13½	10	3½	74.1
Northampton	15	9	6	60.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>96½</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>28½</b>	<b>70.5</b>

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<b><u>7TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Edgecombe	24	18½	5½	77.1
Nash	70	60	10	85.7
Wilson	53	41½	11½	78.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>81.6</b>
<b><u>8TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Greene	11	4	7	36.4
Lenoir	81	65	16	80.2
Wayne	74	67	7	90.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>81.9</b>
<b><u>9TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Franklin	22	20	2	90.9
Granville	29	23	6	79.3
Person	40	34	6	85.0
Vance	30	28	2	93.3
Warren	15	9	6	60.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>83.8</b>
<b><u>10TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Wake	320	277½	42½	86.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>277½</b>	<b>42½</b>	<b>86.7</b>
<b><u>11TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Harnett	89	71	18	79.8
Lee	53	41	12	77.4
Johnston	90	57	33	63.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>72.8</b>
<b><u>12TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Cumberland	122½	108½	14	88.6
Hoke	10	7½	2½	75.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132½</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>16½</b>	<b>87.5</b>
<b><u>13TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Bladen	16½	15	1½	90.9
Brunswick	40	29½	10½	73.8
Columbus	72	52	20	72.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>128½</b>	<b>96½</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>75.1</b>
<b><u>14TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Durham	132	119	13	90.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>90.2</b>
<b><u>15TH DISTRICT</u></b>				
Alamance	79	65½	13½	82.9
Chatham	25	17	8	68.0
Orange	50	39	11	78.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>121½</b>	<b>32½</b>	<b>78.9</b>



16TH DISTRICT

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Robeson	48	29	19	60.4
Scotland	10	8	2	80.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>63.8</b>

17TH DISTRICT

Caswell	10	5	5	50.0
Rockingham	74	59	15	79.7
Stokes	11	6	5	54.5
Surry	47	37	10	78.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>75.4</b>

18TH DISTRICT

Guilford	377	328	49	87.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>87.0</b>

19TH DISTRICT

Cabarrus	76	67	9	88.2
Montgomery	10	9	1	90.0
Randolph	105	92½	12½	88.1
Rowan	62	62	0	100.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>230½</b>	<b>22½</b>	<b>90.9</b>

20TH DISTRICT

Anson	19	11½	7½	60.5
Moore	25	22	3	88.0
Richmond	60	48	12	80.0
Stanley	15	12	3	80.0
Union	16½	15	1½	90.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>135½</b>	<b>108½</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>80.1</b>

21ST DISTRICT

Forsyth	302	283	19	93.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>93.7</b>

22ND DISTRICT

Alexander	7	6	1	85.7
Davidson	118	92	26	78.0
Davie	13	9	4	69.2
Iredell	27	23	4	85.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>80.0</b>

23RD DISTRICT

Alleghany	10	3	7	30.0
Ashe	5	4	1	80.0
Wilkes	65	54	11	83.1
Yadkin	17	14½	2½	85.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>75½</b>	<b>21½</b>	<b>77.8</b>

24TH DISTRICT

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Avery	8	3	5	37.5
Madison	34	15	19	44.1
Mitchell	9	8½	½	94.4
Watauga	10	6	4	60.0
Yancey	15	10	5	67.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>42½</b>	<b>33½</b>	<b>55.9</b>

25TH DISTRICT

Burke	35	30	5	85.7
Caldwell	40	29	11	72.5
Catawba	43	38	5	88.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>82.2</b>

26TH DISTRICT

Mecklenburg	558	499	59	89.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>89.4</b>

27TH DISTRICT

Cleveland	32½	27	5½	83.1
Gaston	188	158	30	84.0
Lincoln	18	15½	2½	86.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>238½</b>	<b>200½</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>84.1</b>

28TH DISTRICT

Buncombe	298	280	18	94.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>94.0</b>

29TH DISTRICT

Henderson	40	37½	2½	93.8
McDowell	20	17	3	85.0
Polk	10	6½	3½	65.0
Rutherford	39	38	1	97.4
Transylvania	15	13	2	86.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>90.3</b>

30TH DISTRICT

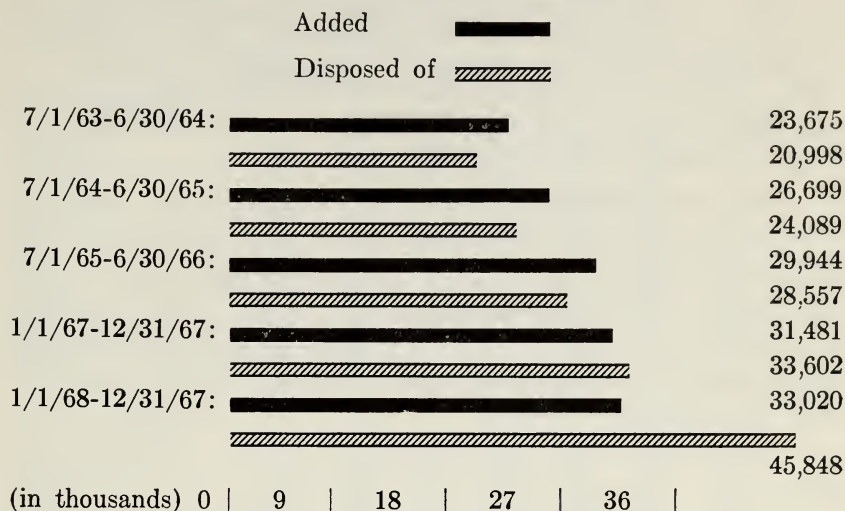
Cherokee	5	3	2	60.0
Clay				
Graham	13	6	7	46.2
Haywood	30	15	15	50.0
Jackson	10	6	4	60.0
Macon	13	7	6	63.8
Swain	7	1½	5½	21.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>38½</b>	<b>39½</b>	<b>49.4</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>5,294</b>	<b>4,371¾</b>	<b>922¼</b>	<b>82.6</b>

## TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CIVIL DOCKETS

County	Pending 1-1-68	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-68	Utilization of Court
Mecklenburg	3,885	4,753	3,721	4,917	89.4%
Forsyth	1,610	1,700	1,644	1,666	93.7%
Lenoir	1,243	684	642	1,285	80.2%
Beaufort	246	1,154	201	1,199	86.2%
Guilford	1,504	1,615	2,374	745	87.0%
Alamance	645	429	394	680	82.9%
Durham	793	160	297	656	90.2%
Iredell	743	504	591	656	85.2%
Cabarrus	559	823	812	570	88.2%
Randolph	535	167	140	562	88.1%
State Mean		320	438	250	82.6%

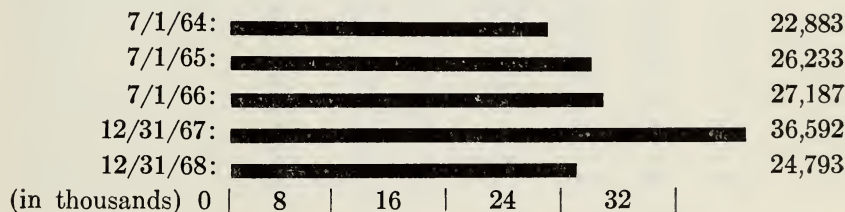
# **CIVIL CASES ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1963 - December 31, 1968**



## **CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1964 - December 31, 1968**



## **DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CIVIL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES**

Number of Cases

Number of Counties

1967

1968

Less than 50	50-100	101-200	201-500	Over 500
18	15	15	29	21
30	16	23	17	12

## CRIMINAL DOCKETS

Although the civil dockets were largely responsible for the major shifts in trends in the superior courts, the criminal dockets exhibited similar tendencies. The number of criminal cases filed increased 11.6% during 1968, but this increase was overshadowed by the 16.3% increase in the rate of dispositions over 1967. Comparing the cases filed during 1968 with the cases disposed of during 1968, it appears that they were almost equal with 37,095 cases filed and 37,031 cases disposed of.

When the distribution of pending criminal cases among the counties is considered, the chart resembles the distribution of civil cases. Again, most of the counties have relatively few pending cases while a few counties have a large number of pending cases. Again, the top ten counties are responsible for a large percentage of the cases pending statewide—36.7%. And again in nine of the ten counties better use was made of the scheduled criminal court days than the statewide average.



**CRIMINAL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND  
DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS  
BY SOLICITORIAL DISTRICTS**

January 1, 1968 - December 31, 1968

<i>1ST DISTRICT</i>	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Plea	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss	
Beaufort	94	<del>276</del>	<del>34</del>	<del>159</del>	<del>62</del>	255	115	+	21
Camden	11	<del>15</del>	<del>5</del>	<del>7</del>	<del>7</del>	19	7	—	4
Chowan	30	<del>133</del>	<del>16</del>	<del>43</del>	<del>65</del>	124	39	+	9
Currituck	35	<del>40</del>	<del>14</del>	<del>24</del>	<del>11</del>	49	26	—	9
Dare	42	<del>118</del>	<del>19</del>	<del>57</del>	<del>26</del>	102	58	+	16
Gates	33	<del>72</del>	<del>13</del>	<del>43</del>	<del>12</del>	68	37	+	4
Hyde	19	<del>57</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>5</del>	<del>14</del>	22	54	+	35
Pasquotank	255	<del>242</del>	<del>30</del>	<del>136</del>	<del>277</del>	443	54	—	201
Perquimans	62	<del>48</del>	<del>22</del>	<del>22</del>	<del>43</del>	87	23	—	39
Tyrrell									
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>1,169</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>168</b>

*2ND DISTRICT*

Edgecombe	147	<del>438</del>	<del>65</del>	<del>230</del>	<del>224</del>	519	66	—	81
Martin	15	<del>181</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>109</del>	<del>57</del>	181	15		0
Nash	102	<del>638</del>	<del>22</del>	<del>299</del>	<del>200</del>	521	219	+	117
Washington	3	<del>24</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>5</del>	<del>6</del>	15	12	+	9
Wilson	140	<del>543</del>	<del>60</del>	<del>347</del>	<del>161</del>	568	107	—	33
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>1,824</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>12</b>

*3RD DISTRICT*

Bertie	34	<del>79</del>	<del>10</del>	<del>42</del>	<del>44</del>	96	17	—	17
Granville	59	<del>222</del>	<del>14</del>	<del>103</del>	<del>61</del>	178	103	+	44
Halifax	37	<del>266</del>	<del>12</del>	<del>150</del>	<del>104</del>	266	37		0
Hertford	52	<del>114</del>	<del>24</del>	<del>68</del>	<del>32</del>	124	47	—	5
Northampton	36	<del>133</del>	<del>16</del>	<del>54</del>	<del>51</del>	121	48	+	12
Vance	98	<del>240</del>	<del>24</del>	<del>124</del>	<del>101</del>	249	89	—	9
Warren	54	<del>74</del>	<del>7</del>	<del>50</del>	<del>2</del>	59	69	+	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>40</b>

*4TH DISTRICT*

Lee	95	<del>191</del>	<del>16</del>	<del>120</del>	<del>85</del>	221	65	—	30
Harnett	86	<del>266</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>41</del>	<del>181</del>	237	115	+	29
Johnston	50	<del>323</del>	<del>14</del>	<del>117</del>	<del>88</del>	219	154	+	104
Wayne	148	<del>593</del>	<del>36</del>	<del>454</del>	<del>146</del>	636	105	—	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>1,373</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>60</b>

*5TH DISTRICT*

Carteret	215	<del>248</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>54</del>	<del>124</del>	193	270	+	55
Craven	266	<del>433</del>	<del>11</del>	<del>151</del>	<del>182</del>	344	355	+	89
Greene	43	<del>104</del>	<del>13</del>	<del>49</del>	<del>75</del>	137	10	—	33
Jones	20	<del>40</del>	<del>10</del>	<del>17</del>	<del>18</del>	45	15	—	5
Pamlico	28	<del>19</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>10</del>	<del>17</del>	29	18	—	10
Pitt	304	<del>731</del>	<del>40</del>	<del>324</del>	<del>426</del>	790	245	—	59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>37</b>

*6TH DISTRICT*

	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed of Plea	Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
Duplin	59	<del>132</del>	<del>7</del>	<del>107</del>	<del>24</del>	138	64 +	5
Lenoir	102	<del>489</del>	<del>79</del>	<del>190</del>	<del>202</del>	471	120 +	18
Onslow	64	<del>332</del>	<del>45</del>	<del>137</del>	<del>150</del>	332	64	0
Sampson	72	<del>338</del>	<del>34</del>	<del>183</del>	<del>117</del>	334	76 +	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>1,275</b>	<b>324 +</b>	<b>27</b>

*7TH DISTRICT*

Franklin	46	81	13	28	16	57	70 +	24
Wake	415	1,206	139	514	388	1,041	580 +	165
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>650 +</b>	<b>189</b>

*8TH DISTRICT*

Brunswick	32	<del>34</del>	<del>6</del>	<del>30</del>	<del>17</del>	53	6 —	26
Columbus	36	<del>320</del>	<del>26</del>	<del>252</del>	<del>20</del>	298	58 +	22
New Hanover	419	<del>1,191</del>	<del>38</del>	<del>603</del>	<del>702</del>	1,343	267 —	152
Pender	56	<del>85</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>73</del>	<del>24</del>	105	36 —	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>1,630</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>1,799</b>	<b>367 —</b>	<b>176</b>

*9TH DISTRICT*

Cumberland	201	<del>969</del>	<del>151</del>	<del>303</del>	<del>415</del>	869	301 +	100
Hoke	75	<del>114</del>	<del>33</del>	<del>48</del>	<del>31</del>	112	77 +	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>378 +</b>	<b>102</b>

*9TH-A DISTRICT*

Bladen	153	<del>144</del>	<del>27</del>	<del>43</del>	<del>166</del>	236	61 —	92
Robeson	99	<del>603</del>	<del>124</del>	<del>284</del>	<del>120</del>	528	174 +	75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>235 —</b>	<b>17</b>

*10TH DISTRICT*

Durham	400	<del>656</del>	<del>111</del>	<del>376</del>	<del>308</del>	795	261 —	139
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>261 —</b>	<b>139</b>

*10TH-A DISTRICT*

Alamance	194	<del>508</del>	<del>92</del>	<del>299</del>	<del>208</del>	599	103 —	91
Chatham	85	<del>140</del>	<del>38</del>	<del>67</del>	<del>23</del>	128	97 +	12
Orange	72	<del>263</del>	<del>42</del>	<del>154</del>	<del>90</del>	286	42 —	30
Person	79	<del>244</del>	<del>35</del>	<del>135</del>	<del>94</del>	264	59 —	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>1,155</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>301 —</b>	<b>129</b>

*11TH DISTRICT*

Alleghany	23	<del>229</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>127</del>	<del>72</del>	202	50 +	27
Ashe	95	<del>257</del>	<del>5</del>	<del>266</del>	<del>43</del>	314	38 —	57
Forsyth	190	<del>1,221</del>	<del>158</del>	<del>663</del>	<del>555</del>	1,376	35 —	155
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>123 —</b>	<b>185</b>

<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed Plea	of Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss	
Davidson	296	418	26	123	176	325	389	+	93
Guilford									
Greensboro	424	1,577	130	764	627	1,521	480	+	56
High Point	170	539	59	311	199	569	140	—	30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>2,415</b>	<b>1,009</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>119</b>

### **13TH DISTRICT**

Anson	31	113	4	55	15	74	70	+	39
Moore	102	302	25	148	102	275	129	+	27
Richmond	20	338	29	174	63	266	92	+	72
Scotland	59	181	19	110	82	211	29	—	30
Stanly	45	231	9	222	19	250	26	—	19
Union	139	216	25	145	49	219	136	—	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>1,295</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>86</b>

### **14TH DISTRICT**

Gaston	392	977	164	487	453	1,104	265	—	127
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>127</b>

### **14TH-A DISTRICT**

Mecklenburg	594	2,310	210	1,659	722	2,591	313	—	281
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>2,310</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>1,659</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>2,591</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281</b>

### **15TH DISTRICT**

Alexander	55	104	4	107	0	111	48	—	7
Cabarrus	158	944	56	346	302	704	398	+	240
Iredell	334	1,191	71	425	476	972	553	+	219
Montgomery	34	107	22	56	27	105	36	+	2
Randolph	226	403	31	120	143	294	335	+	109
Rowan	219	632	32	220	114	366	485	+	266
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>3,381</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>1,855</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>829</b>

### **16TH DISTRICT**

Burke	175	533	35	191	249	475	233	+	58
Caldwell	199	406	53	204	118	375	230	+	31
Catawba	307	1,084	74	598	204	876	515	+	208
Cleveland	300	411	50	230	198	478	233	—	67
Lincoln	22	107	9	66	7	82	47	+	25
Watauga	221	1,012	3	799	375	1,177	56	—	165
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>3,553</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>2,088</b>	<b>1,151</b>	<b>3,463</b>	<b>1,314</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>90</b>

### **17TH DISTRICT**

Avery	84	689	7	150	591	748	25	—	59
Davie	46	120	7	39	55	101	65	+	19
Mitchell	142	209	8	111	209	328	23	—	119
Wilkes	50	286	48	98	130	276	60	+	10
Yadkin	12	56	7	42	6	55	13	+	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>148</b>

<i>18TH DISTRICT</i>	Pending 1/1/68	Filed	Jury	Disposed Plea	of Other	Total	Pending 12/31/68	Gain or Loss
Henderson	113	171	21	50	35	106	178 +	65
McDowell	65	232	50	83	70	203	94 +	29
Polk								
Rutherford	89	203	22	94	71	187	105 +	16
Transylvania	159	589	19	368	334	721	27 —	132
Yancey	56	357	0	252	132	384	29 —	27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>1,552</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>1,601</b>	<b>433 —</b>	<b>49</b>

*19TH DISTRICT*

Buncombe	429	1,168	227	478	622	1,327	270 —	159
Madison	62	189	5	27	172	204	47 —	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>1,531</b>	<b>317 —</b>	<b>174</b>

*20TH DISTRICT*

Cherokee	44	116	1	50	53	104	56 +	12
Clay	2	20	1	0	10	11	11 +	9
Graham	5	19	1	11	0	12	12 +	7
Haywood	96	307	8	154	81	243	160 +	64
Jackson	18	99	2	69	19	90	27 +	9
Macon	5	21	2	6	12	20	6 +	1
Swain	18	62	6	37	18	61	19 +	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>291 +</b>	<b>103</b>

*21ST DISTRICT*

Caswell	28	72	1	50	9	60	40 +	12
Rockingham	271	900	51	541	325	917	254 —	17
Stokes	44	91	9	56	37	102	33 —	11
Surry	206	526	30	417	106	553	179 —	27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>1,589</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>1,632</b>	<b>506 —</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>12,146</b>	<b>37,095</b>	<b>3,488</b>	<b>19,039</b>	<b>14,504</b>	<b>37,031</b>	<b>12,204 +</b>	<b>58</b>

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# UTILIZATION OF CRIMINAL COURT TERMS BY SOLICITORIAL DISTRICTS

1968 Calendar Year

## 1ST DISTRICT

Beaufort	<del>45</del>	<del>41</del>	4	91.1
Camden	<del>8</del>	<del>4½</del>	3½	73.3
Chowan	<del>14</del>	<del>13½</del>	½	96.4
Currituck	<del>9</del>	<del>7½</del>	1½	83.3
Dare	<del>14</del>	<del>11½</del>	2½	82.1
Gates	<del>10</del>	<del>8</del>	2	80.0
Hyde	<del>6</del>	<del>6</del>	0	100.0
Pasquotank	<del>30</del>	<del>25½</del>	4½	85.0
Perquimans	<del>15</del>	<del>11</del>	4	73.3
Tyrrell	<del>4</del>	<del>4</del>	0	100.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>132½</b>	<b>22½</b>	<b>85.5</b>

## 2ND DISTRICT

Edgecombe	<del>49</del>	<del>42</del>	7	85.7
Martin	<del>16½</del>	<del>14</del>	2½	84.8
Nash	<del>43</del>	<del>40</del>	3	93.0
Washington	<del>8</del>	<del>2</del>	6	25.0
Wilson	<del>59</del>	<del>47½</del>	11½	80.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>175½</b>	<b>145½</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>83.0</b>

## 3RD DISTRICT

Bertie	<del>20</del>	<del>19</del>	1	95.0
Granville	<del>15</del>	<del>13</del>	2	86.6
Halifax	<del>30</del>	<del>25½</del>	4½	85.0
Hertford	<del>20½</del>	<del>19</del>	1½	92.7
Northampton	<del>15</del>	<del>15</del>	0	100.0
Vance	<del>25</del>	<del>22</del>	3	88.0
Warren	<del>15</del>	<del>11</del>	4	73.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>140½</b>	<b>124½</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>88.6</b>

## 4TH DISTRICT

Harnett	<del>30</del>	<del>18½</del>	11½	61.7
Johnston	<del>35</del>	<del>24</del>	11	68.6
Lee	<del>20</del>	<del>15</del>	5	75.0
Wayne	<del>60</del>	<del>53</del>	7	88.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>110½</b>	<b>34½</b>	<b>76.2</b>

## 5TH DISTRICT

Carteret	<del>15</del>	<del>13</del>	2	86.6
Craven	<del>49</del>	<del>41</del>	8	83.7
Greene	<del>19</del>	<del>13</del>	6	68.4
Jones	<del>10</del>	<del>7½</del>	2½	75.0
Pamlico	<del>10</del>	<del>5</del>	5	50.0
Pitt	<del>59</del>	<del>54</del>	5	91.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>133½</b>	<b>28½</b>	<b>82.4</b>



6TH DISTRICT

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	%
Duplin	<del>30</del>	<del>18</del>	12	60.0
Lenoir	<del>45</del>	<del>33</del>	12	73.3
Onslow	<del>38</del>	<del>30</del>	8	78.9
Sampson	<del>28</del>	<del>24</del>	4	85.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>74.4</b>

7TH DISTRICT

Franklin	<del>23</del>	<del>23</del>	0	100.0
Wake	226	223	3	98.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>99.8</b>

8TH DISTRICT

Brunswick	15	10½	4½	70.0
Columbus	35	30½	4½	87.1
New Hanover	80	77½	2½	96.8
Pender	<del>18</del>	<del>17</del>	1	94.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>135½</b>	<b>12½</b>	<b>91.6</b>

9TH DISTRICT

Cumberland	<del>161½</del>	<del>159½</del>	2	98.8
Hoke	<del>20</del>	<del>16</del>	4	80.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>181½</b>	<b>175½</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>96.7</b>

9TH-A DISTRICT

Bladen	17½	17	½	97.1
Robeson	<del>97</del>	<del>94</del>	3	96.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114½</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>3½</b>	<b>96.9</b>

10TH DISTRICT

Durham	158	154	4	97.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>97.5</b>

10TH-A DISTRICT

Alamance	64	61	3	95.3
Chatham	<del>17</del>	<del>16½</del>	½	97.1
Orange	35	32	3	91.4
Person	<del>20</del>	<del>17</del>	3	85.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>126½</b>	<b>9½</b>	<b>93.0</b>

11TH DISTRICT

Alleghany	<del>10</del>	<del>5½</del>	4½	55.0
Ashe	<del>15</del>	<del>9½</del>	5½	63.3
Forsyth	<del>166</del>	<del>159</del>	7	95.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>91.1</b>

12TH DISTRICT

Davidson	<del>43</del>	<del>52</del>	—9	120.9
Guilford	<del>248</del>	<del>237½</del>	10½	95.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>289½</b>	<b>1½</b>	<b>99.5</b>

**13TH DISTRICT**

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	%
Anson	<del>20</del>	<del>7½</del>	12½	37.5
Moore	<del>20</del>	<del>19</del>	1	95.0
Richmond	<del>20</del>	<del>17</del>	3	85.0
Scotland	<del>20</del>	<del>20</del>	0	100.0
Stanley	<del>14</del>	<del>13</del>	1	92.9
Union	<del>23½</del>	<del>21½</del>	2	91.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>117½</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>19½</b>	<b>83.4</b>

**14TH DISTRICT**

Gaston	170	161	9	94.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>94.7</b>

**14TH-A DISTRICT**

Mecklenburg	330	299	31	90.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>90.6</b>

**15TH DISTRICT**

Alexander	<del>8</del>	<del>5</del>	3	62.5
Cabarrus	<del>42</del>	<del>41</del>	1	97.6
Iredell	<del>50</del>	<del>47½</del>	2½	95.0
Montgomery	<del>20</del>	<del>14</del>	6	70.0
Randolph	<del>23</del>	<del>22</del>	1	95.7
Rowan	<del>40</del>	<del>40</del>	0	100.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>169½</b>	<b>13½</b>	<b>92.6</b>

**16TH DISTRICT**

Burke	43	40	3	93.0
Caldwell	55	53	2	96.4
Catawba	65	64	1	98.4
Cleveland	<del>30½</del>	<del>30</del>	½	98.4
Lincoln	12	9	3	75.0
Watauga	<del>15</del>	<del>13</del>	2	86.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>220½</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>11½</b>	<b>94.8</b>

**17TH DISTRICT**

Avery	<del>7</del>	<del>5</del>	2	71.4
Davie	<del>16</del>	<del>10</del>	6	62.5
Mitchell	<del>10</del>	<del>9</del>	1	90.0
Wilkes	35	24	11	68.6
Yadkin	<del>20</del>	<del>13½</del>	6½	67.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>61½</b>	<b>26½</b>	<b>69.9</b>

**18TH DISTRICT**

Henderson	30	26½	3½	88.3
McDowell	39	34	5	87.2
Polk	15	14	1	93.3
Rutherford	30	30	0	100.0
Transylvania	25	23	2	92.0
Yancey	<del>13</del>	<del>10</del>	3	76.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>137½</b>	<b>14½</b>	<b>90.5</b>

19TH DISTRICT

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	%
Buncombe	214	195½	18½	91.4
Madison	20	12	8	60.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>207½</b>	<b>26½</b>	<b>88.7</b>

20TH DISTRICT

Cherokee	20	11	9	55.0
Clay	10	2	8	20.0
Graham	7	2	5	28.6
Haywood	33	27	6	81.8
Jackson	26	17	9	65.4
Macon	11	4	7	36.4
Swain	13	5	8	38.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>56.7</b>

21ST DISTRICT


Caswell	10	4½	5½	45.0
Rockingham	65	53½	11½	82.3
Stokes	14	9	5	64.3
Surry	43	29	14	67.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>72.7</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,134</b>	<b>3,670½</b>	<b>463½</b>	<b>88.9</b>

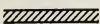
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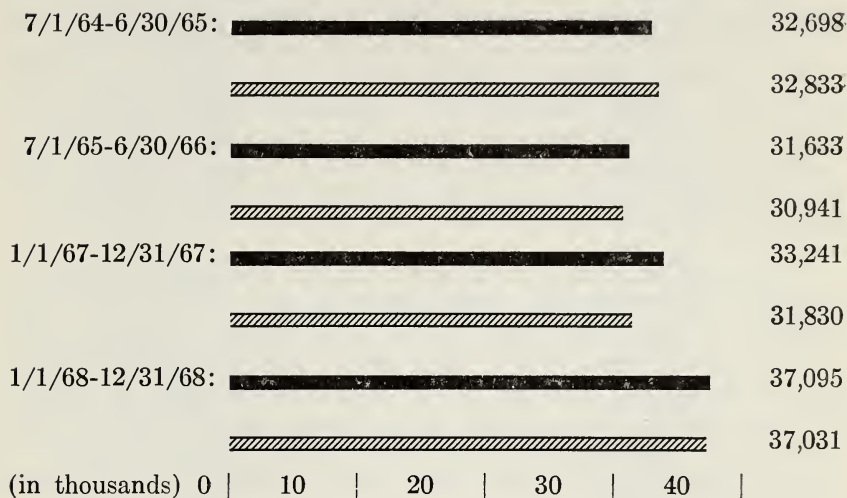
County	Pending 1-1-68	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-68	Utilization of Court
Guilford	594	2,116	2,090	620	95.8%
Wake	415	1,206	1,041	580	98.7%
Iredell	334	1,191	972	553	95.0%
Catawba	307	1,084	876	515	98.4%
Rowan	219	632	366	485	100.0%
Cabarrus	158	944	704	398	97.6%
Davidson	296	418	325	389	120.9%
Craven	266	433	344	355	83.7%
Randolph	226	403	294	335	95.7%
Mecklenburg	594	2,310	2,591	313	90.6%
State Mean		370	371	120	88.9%

# **CRIMINAL CASES ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1964 - December 31, 1968**

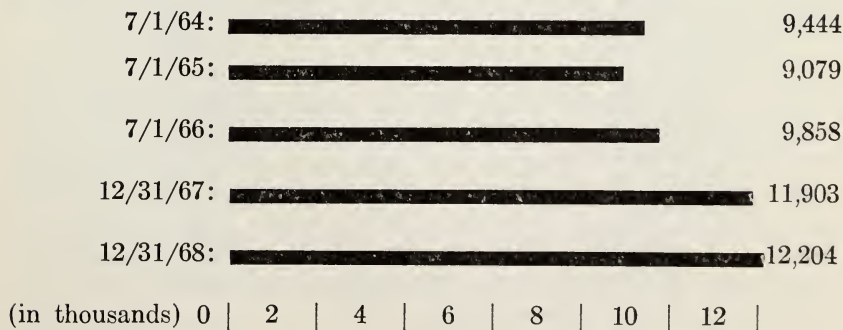
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## **CRIMINAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**

**July 1, 1964 - December 31, 1968**



## DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

The year 1968 marked another step in the orderly transition toward the operation of district courts in all 100 counties. The original 22 counties experienced their second full year of operation, and the district court was activated in 61 additional counties on December 2, 1968. The remaining 17 counties are preparing for their district courts which will be activated on December 7, 1970.

Examination of the initial 22 counties reveals how the district court division operates. During 1968, a total of 18,099 civil cases were filed in the district court, and 16,243 were disposed of through various means. Of these 16,243 cases, 5% were disposed of through jury trials, judges handled 31.8%, magistrates settled 51.2%, and 12% were removed from the docket by other means. The rates of addition and removal, which resulted in an increase of 1,847 cases, left 6,972 civil cases pending on December 31, 1968, an increase of 36% over 1967.

The criminal dockets exhibited similar tendencies in the 22 counties. 138,431 criminal cases were filed and 135,406 cases were disposed of. The cases were disposed of as follows: Judges decided 11.1%, waivers ended 37.2%, pleas settled 38.6%, preliminary hearings were held in 2%, and 11.1% were removed from the docket by other means. This resulted in 3,022 more cases pending on December 31, 1968 than the previous year, an increase of 33%. A total of 12,188 criminal cases were pending at the end of the year in these 22 counties.

The second group of 61 counties began operating under the district court system on December 2, 1968, after the election of judges and the appointment of Chief Judges, prosecutors, and magistrates. On that date civil cases involving \$5,000 or less and misdemeanors were transferred from the superior court and the local inferior courts to the district court. These transfers and the additional filings during December, less the cases disposed of during the month, left a total of 21,522 civil cases and 30,975 criminal cases pending in the 61 counties on December 31, 1968.

The district court system has had a major influence on the operation of the superior court. Since a large number of cases were transferred from the superior court to the district court on the activation dates, the backlog in the superior court was substantially reduced. Further, the experience of the 22 counties which have been under the district court system for two years indicates that the superior courts will be able to reduce their backlog even further, since many of the cases previously going to the superior court will now be filed in the district court.



# DISTRICT COURT JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS BY DISTRICT

## Judges

*1.	Fentress Horner William S. Privott	Elizabeth City Edenton
*2.	Hallett S. Ward Charles H. Manning	Washington Williamston
*3.	J. W. H. Roberts Charles H. Whedbee Herbert O. Phillips, III Robert D. Wheeler	Greenville Greenville Morehead City Grifton
*4.	Harvey Boney Paul M. Crumpler Russell J. Lanier Walter P. Henderson	Jacksonville Clinton Beulaville Trenton
*5.	H. Winfield Smith Bradford Tillery Gilbert H. Burnett	Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington
*6.	J. T. Maddrey Joseph D. Blythe Ballard S. Gay	Weldon Harrellsville Jackson
*7.	J. Phil Carlton Allen W. Harrell Tom H. Matthews Ben H. Neville	Pinetops Wilson Rocky Mount Whitakers
*8.	Charles P. Gaylor Herbert W. Hardy Emmett R. Wooten Lester W. Pate	Goldsboro Maury Kinston Kinston
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*10.	George F. Bason Edwin S. Preston, Jr. S. Pretlow Winborne Henry V. Barnett, Jr. N. F. Ransdell	Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Fuquay-Varina
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*13.	Ray H. Walton Giles R. Clark	Southport Elizabethtown
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*15.	Harry Horton L. J. Phipps D. Marsh McLelland Coleman Cates	Pittsboro Chapel Hill Burlington Burlington
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*18.	E. D. Kuykendall Herman G. Enochs, Jr. Byron Haworth Elreta M. Alexander B. Gordon Gentry Edward K. Washington Kenneth M. Carrington	Greensboro Greensboro High Point Greensboro Greensboro Jamestown Greensboro
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*29.	Forrest I. Robertson Robert T. Gash Wade B. Matheny	Rutherfordton Brevard Forest City
*30.	F. E. Alley, Jr. Robert J. Leatherwood, III	Waynesville Bryson City

## Prosecutors

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| *1. W. F. Walker             | Currituck      |
| *2. W. C. Griffin, Jr.       | Williamston    |
| *3. Eli Bloom                | Greenville     |
| L. R. Morris                 | Atlantic       |
| *4. A. Turner Shaw, Jr.      | Jacksonville   |
| Kenneth W. Turner            | Rose Hill      |
| *5. John M. Walker           | Wilmington     |
| *6. W. E. Murphrey, III      | Roanoke Rapids |
| *7. Charles B. Winberry, Jr. | Wilson         |
| Stanly Cook                  | Rocky Mount    |
| *8. F. O. Parker             | Goldsboro      |
| Phil Crawford                | Kinston        |
| *9. Charles M. White, III    | Warrenton      |
| *10. Henry Newton            | Raleigh        |
| J. D. Johnson, III           | Raleigh        |
| Frank Cherry                 | Goldsboro      |
| *11. Clyde K. Atkins         | Sanford        |
| *12. Charles G. Rose         | Fayetteville   |
| Anthony E. Rand              | Fayetteville   |
| Ray C. Vallery               | Fayetteville   |
| *13. Lee J. Greer            | Whiteville     |
| *14. J. Milton Read, Jr.     | Durham         |
| Henry M. Michaux, Jr.        | Durham         |
| *15. Robert C. Raiford       | Burlington     |
| Lloyd Noel                   | Hillsborough   |
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| Charles D. Ratley            | Lumberton      |
| *18. Douglas Albright        | Greensboro     |
| Ross Edward Strange          | Greensboro     |
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| Z. V. Morgan                 | Hamlet         |
| *21. James A. Harrill, Jr.   | Winston-Salem  |
| Laurel O. Boyles             | Winston-Salem  |
| David M. Williams, Jr.       | Winston-Salem  |
| *24. Philip M. Thomas        | Burnsville     |
| *25. J. C. Rudisill          | Newton         |
| Benjamin Beach               | Lenoir         |
| *26. John B. Whitley         | Charlotte      |
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| *29. J. O. Wells             | Brevard        |
| Jack M. Freeman              | Forest City    |
| *30. James H. Howell, Jr.    | Waynesville    |

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\*Chief Prosecutor

# PENDING CIVIL CASES IN DISTRICT COURT

	Pending 1-1-68	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-68	Gain or Loss
<i><u>1ST DISTRICT</u></i>					
Camden	16	57	57	16	0
Chowan	23	139	141	21	— 2
Currituck	5	62	60	7	+ 2
Dare	16	112	89	39	+ 23
Gates	15	167	156	26	+ 11
Pasquotank	71	479	435	115	+ 44
Perquimans	20	103	77	46	+ 26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>1,119</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>+ 104</b>
<i><u>12TH DISTRICT</u></i>					
Cumberland	1,214	3,578	3,467	1,325	+ 111
Hoke	84	299	284	99	+ 15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>3,877</b>	<b>3,751</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>+ 126</b>
<i><u>14TH DISTRICT</u></i>					
Durham	1,190	4,754	3,838	2,106	+ 916
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>4,754</b>	<b>3,838</b>	<b>2,106</b>	<b>+ 916</b>
<i><u>16TH DISTRICT</u></i>					
Robeson	731	3,013	2,733	1,011	+ 280
Scotland	252	624	576	300	+ 48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>3,637</b>	<b>3,309</b>	<b>1,311</b>	<b>+ 328</b>
<i><u>25TH DISTRICT</u></i>					
Burke	270	866	892	244	— 26
Caldwell	431	1,037	920	548	+ 117
Catawba	397	1,856	1,687	566	+ 169
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>3,759</b>	<b>3,499</b>	<b>1,358</b>	<b>+ 260</b>
<i><u>30TH DISTRICT</u></i>					
Cherokee	73	161	149	85	+ 12
Clay	16	52	35	33	+ 17
Graham	27	33	22	38	+ 11
Haywood	88	360	361	87	— 1
Jackson	115	125	106	134	+ 19
Macon	40	124	87	68	+ 28
Swain	31	98	71	58	+ 27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>+ 113</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>5,125</b>	<b>18,099</b>	<b>16,243</b>	<b>6,972</b>	<b>+ 1,847</b>

# DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES BY COUNTIES IN DISTRICT COURT

	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other	Total
<u>1ST DISTRICT</u>					
Camden	0	14	38	5	57
Chowan	9	32	86	14	141
Currituck	0	8	32	20	60
Dare	4	27	48	10	89
Gates	2	11	128	15	156
Pasquotank	21	132	220	62	435
Perquimans	8	19	26	24	77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>8,729</b>	<b>8,653</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>+ 76</b>
<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cumberland	154	1,647	1,324	342	3,467
Hoke	15	96	114	59	284
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>1,743</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>3,751</b>
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>					
Durham	398	1,176	1,818	446	3,838
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>3,838</b>
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>					
Robeson	42	491	1,920	280	2,733
Scotland	11	166	308	91	576
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>2,228</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>3,309</b>
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>					
Burke	33	226	478	155	892
Caldwell	32	243	601	44	920
Catawba	40	595	830	222	1,687
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>1,909</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>3,499</b>
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cherokee	2	35	67	45	149
Clay	3	5	25	2	35
Graham	1	19	2	0	22
Haywood	18	128	174	41	361
Jackson	5	37	39	25	106
Macon	8	33	29	17	87
Swain	6	21	15	29	71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>831</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>5,161</b>	<b>8,322</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>16,243</b>
Per cent	5.0	31.8	51.2	12.0	100.0



# PENDING CRIMINAL CASES IN DISTRICT COURT

<i>1ST DISTRICT</i>	Pending 1-1-68	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-68	Gain or Loss
Camden	37	367	377	27	— 10
Chowan	101	1,468	1,464	105	+ 4
Currituck	7	1,135	1,107	35	+ 28
Dare	27	1,422	1,388	61	+ 34
Gates	18	1,341	1,309	50	+ 32
Pasquotank	91	1,877	1,898	70	— 21
Perquimans	71	1,119	1,110	80	+ 9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>8,729</b>	<b>8,653</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>+ 76</b>

## *12TH DISTRICT*

Cumberland	1,217	33,681	33,247	1,651	+ 434
Hoke	149	2,407	2,343	213	+ 64
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>36,088</b>	<b>35,590</b>	<b>1,864</b>	<b>+ 498</b>

## *14TH DISTRICT*

Durham	707	19,976	19,866	817	+ 110
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>19,976</b>	<b>19,866</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>+ 110</b>

## *16TH DISTRICT*

Robeson	969	15,626	15,451	1,144	+ 175
Scotland	202	5,088	4,984	306	+ 104
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>20,714</b>	<b>20,435</b>	<b>1,450</b>	<b>+ 279</b>

## *25TH DISTRICT*

Burke	296	9,210	8,353	1,153	+ 857
Caldwell	946	8,602	7,944	1,604	+ 658
Catawba	3,736	21,024	20,845	3,915	+ 179
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,978</b>	<b>38,836</b>	<b>37,142</b>	<b>6,672</b>	<b>+ 1,694</b>

## *30TH DISTRICT*

Cherokee	57	1,933	1,773	217	+ 160
Clay	26	714	713	27	+ 1
Graham	59	853	827	85	+ 26
Haywood	285	5,864	5,772	377	+ 92
Jackson	76	1,968	1,919	125	+ 49
Macon	49	1,206	1,188	64	+ 15
Swain	40	1,550	1,528	62	+ 22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>14,088</b>	<b>13,720</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>+ 365</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>9,166</b>	<b>138,431</b>	<b>135,406</b>	<b>12,188</b>	<b>+ 3,022</b>

# DISPOSITION OF CRIMINAL CASES BY COUNTIES IN DISTRICT COURT

<i>1ST DISTRICT</i>	Judge	Plea	Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Other	Total
Camden	78	128	155	2	14	377
Chowan	206	438	521	108	191	1,464
Currituck	271	460	291	18	67	1,107
Dare	133	542	496	107	110	1,388
Gates	158	178	910	24	39	1,309
Pasquotank	202	651	596	217	232	1,898
Perquimans	133	251	655	12	59	1,110
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>2,648</b>	<b>3,624</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>8,653</b>
<i>12TH DISTRICT</i>						
Cumberland	3,820	13,912	10,862	394	4,259	33,247
Hoke	267	777	988	44	267	2,343
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,087</b>	<b>14,689</b>	<b>11,850</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>4,526</b>	<b>35,590</b>
<i>14TH DISTRICT</i>						
Durham	2,602	11,390	3,922	316	1,636	19,866
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,602</b>	<b>11,390</b>	<b>3,922</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>19,866</b>
<i>16TH DISTRICT</i>						
Robeson	1,185	6,202	4,942	257	2,865	15,451
Scotland	470	2,129	1,648	99	638	4,984
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>8,331</b>	<b>6,590</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>3,503</b>	<b>20,435</b>
<i>25TH DISTRICT</i>						
Burke	1,230	2,542	3,775	150	656	8,353
Caldwell	675	2,909	3,562	429	369	7,944
Catawba	1,401	5,820	11,954	266	1,404	20,845
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,306</b>	<b>11,271</b>	<b>19,291</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>2,429</b>	<b>37,142</b>
<i>30TH DISTRICT</i>						
Cherokee	671	298	698	20	86	1,773
Clay	175	90	402	15	31	713
Graham	201	286	340	0	0	827
Haywood	773	1,724	2,427	75	773	5,772
Jackson	52	251	577	54	985	1,919
Macon	141	169	588	7	283	1,188
Swain	173	1,057	116	39	143	1,528
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,186</b>	<b>3,875</b>	<b>5,148</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>2,301</b>	<b>13,720</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>15,017</b>	<b>52,204</b>	<b>50,425</b>	<b>2,653</b>	<b>15,107</b>	<b>135,406</b>
Per cent	11.1	38.6	37.2	2.0	11.1	100.0

# **DAYS OF DISTRICT COURT IN VARIOUS SEATS OF COURT**

	Civil	Criminal	Total
<u><b>1ST DISTRICT</b></u>			
Camden <i>Camden</i>	<del>6</del>	<del>12</del>	18
Edenton <i>Edenton</i>	<del>3</del>	<del>48</del>	51
Currituck	<del>11½</del>	<del>22½</del>	24
Manteo <i>Manteo</i>	<del>10</del>	<del>45</del>	55
Gatesville <i>Gatesville</i>	<del>6</del>	<del>26</del>	32
Elizabeth City <i>Elizabeth City</i>	<del>21</del>	<del>47½</del>	68½
Hertford <i>Hertford</i>	<del>5½</del>	<del>38</del>	43½
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>292</b>
<u><b>12TH DISTRICT</b></u>			
Fayetteville	279½	367½	647
Raeform	21	41	62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300½</b>	<b>408½</b>	<b>709</b>
<u><b>14TH DISTRICT</b></u>			
Durham	315	420	735
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>735</b>
<u><b>16TH DISTRICT</b></u>			
Fairmont	0	45½	45½
Laurinburg <i>Laurinburg</i>	<del>80½</del>	<del>96</del>	126½
Lumberton	106½	184½	291
Maxton	0	68½	68½
Red Springs <i>Red Springs</i>	0	36	36
Rowland	0	24½	24½
St. Pauls	0	49½	49½
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>504½</b>	<b>641½</b>
<u><b>25TH DISTRICT</b></u>			
Hickory	42½	143	185½
Lenoir <i>Lenoir</i>	<del>54</del>	<del>141</del>	195
Morganton <i>Morganton</i>	<del>51</del>	<del>111</del>	162
Newton <i>Newton</i>	44½	100	144½
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>687</b>
<u><b>30TH DISTRICT</b></u>			
Bryson City <i>Bryson City</i>	<del>6</del>	<del>20½</del>	26½
Franklin <i>Franklin</i>	<del>4½</del>	<del>17½</del>	22
Hayesville <i>Hayesville</i>	<del>1</del>	<del>18</del>	19
Murphy <i>Murphy</i>	<del>3</del>	<del>33</del>	36
Robbinsville <i>Robbinsville</i>	<del>0</del>	<del>16</del>	16
Sylva <i>Sylva</i>	<del>2</del>	<del>27</del>	29
Waynesville <i>Waynesville</i>	<del>18</del>	<del>106</del>	124
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34½</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>272½</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1,032</b>	<b>2,305</b>	<b>3,337</b>

**CASES PENDING IN COUNTIES IN WHICH DISTRICT  
COURT ACTIVATED DECEMBER, 1968**

<u>2ND DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Beaufort	25	213	238
Hyde	50	105	155
Martin	127	120	247
Tyrrell	9	3	12
Washington	43	9	52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>104</b>

<u>3RD DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Carteret	488	0	488
Craven	1,377	241	1,618
Pamlico	69	41	110
Pitt	821	885	1,706
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,755</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>3,922</b>

<u>4TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Duplin	436	482	918
Jones	24	41	65
Onslow	177	330	507
Sampson	268	409	677
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>2,167</b>

<u>5TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
New Hanover	942	1,339	2,281
Pender	312	28	340
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,367</b>	<b>2,621</b>

<u>6TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Bertie	48	50	98
Halifax	223	121	344
Hertford	244	80	324
Northampton	18	38	56
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>822</b>

<u>7TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Edgecombe	284	388	672
Nash	653	182	835
Wilson	704	1,400	2,104
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>1,970</b>	<b>3,611</b>

<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Greene	28	184	212
Lenoir	1,329	459	1,788
Wayne	452	586	1,038
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,809</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>3,038</b>

9TH DISTRICT

	Civil	Criminal	Total
Franklin	317	387	704
Granville	90	178	268
Person	105	194	299
Vance	171	231	402
Warren	48	31	79
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>1,752</b>

10TH DISTRICT

Wake	1,053	7,259	8,312
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>7,259</b>	<b>8,312</b>

11TH DISTRICT

Harnett	710	612	1,322
Johnston	395	652	1,047
Lee	340	223	563
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,445</b>	<b>1,487</b>	<b>2,932</b>

13TH DISTRICT

Bladen	86	135	221
Brunswick	216	378	594
Columbus	352	280	632
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>1,447</b>

15TH DISTRICT

Alamance	17	437	454
Chatham	330	217	547
Orange	140	872	1,012
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>2,013</b>

18TH DISTRICT

Guilford	4,281	7,305	11,586
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,281</b>	<b>7,305</b>	<b>11,586</b>

20TH DISTRICT

Anson	101	264	365
Moore	723	205	928
Richmond	134	69	203
Stanley	455	167	622
Union	115	435	550
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,528</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>2,668</b>

21ST DISTRICT

Forsyth	1,925	2,947	4,872
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>2,947</b>	<b>4,872</b>

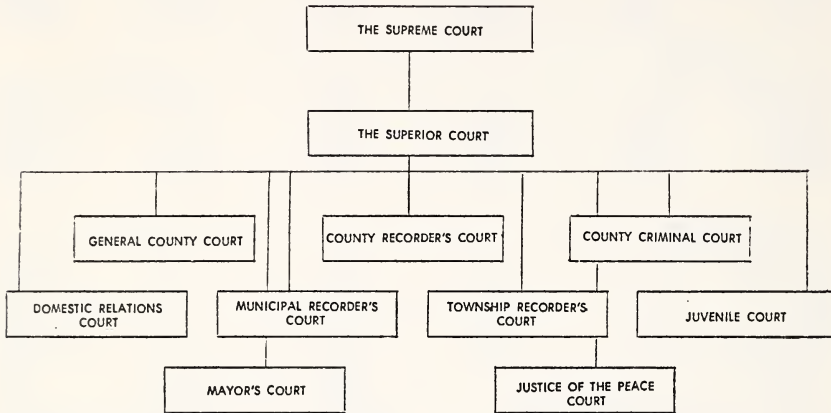


<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Avery	1	333	334
Madison	0	78	78
Mitchell	21	85	106
Watauga	9	372	381
Yancey	9	122	131
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,030</b>
 <u>26TH DISTRICT</u>			
Mecklenburg	233	3,019	3,252
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>3,019</b>	<b>3,252</b>
 <u>27TH DISTRICT</u>			
Cleveland	103	1,051	1,154
Gaston	516	1,447	1,963
Lincoln	31	27	58
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>2,525</b>	<b>3,175</b>
 <u>29TH DISTRICT</u>			
Henderson	170	86	256
McDowell	21	64	85
Polk	5	44	49
Rutherford	133	131	264
Transylvania	68	163	231
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>885</b>
<b>GROUP II TOTAL (DEC. 1968)</b>	<b>22,575</b>	<b>38,234</b>	<b>60,809</b>
<b>GROUP I TOTAL (DEC. 1966)</b>	<b>6,972</b>	<b>12,188</b>	<b>19,160</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>29,544</b>	<b>50,422</b>	<b>79,969</b>

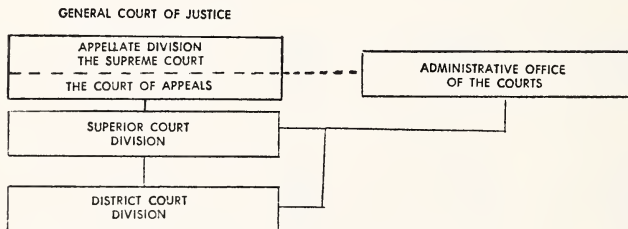
# APPENDIX I

## STRUCTURE OF THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

### I. Prior to the effective date of The Judicial Department Act of 1965:



### II. Under The Judicial Department Act of 1965:

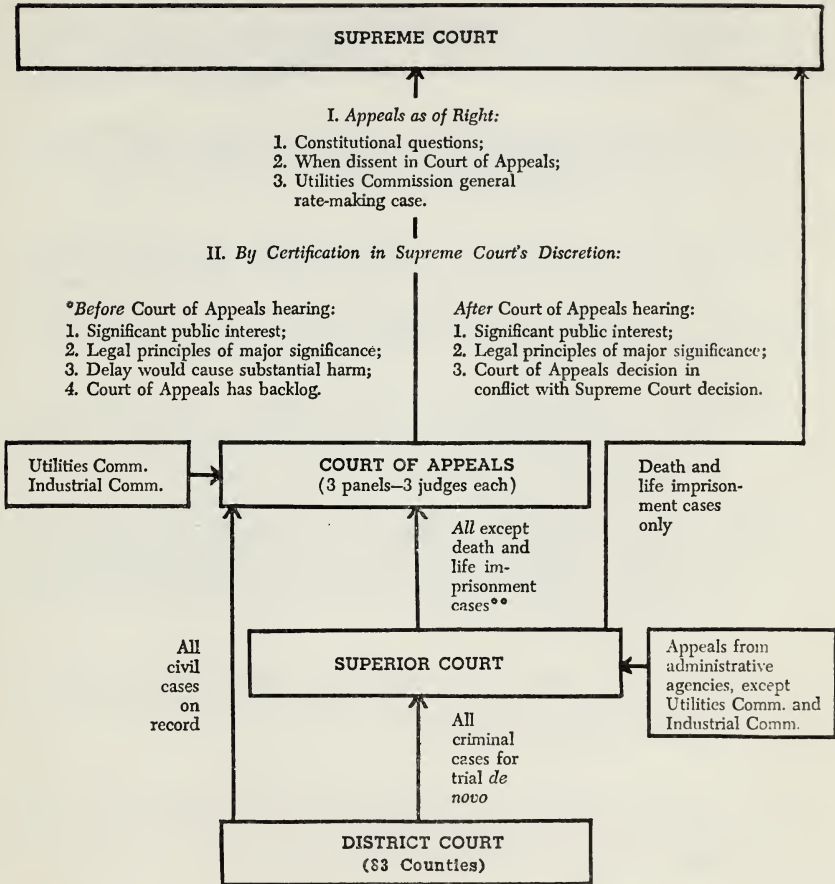


This structure is now in effect as to 83 counties. The District Court will be activated in the final 17 counties on December 7, 1970.

## APPENDIX II

### GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

#### *Routes of Appeal —*



\*Utilities and Industrial Comm. cases *must* be heard by Court of Appeals *before* Supreme Court can hear.

\*\*Post-conviction hearing appeals go to Court of Appeals by writ of certiorari only. The State may move for certification under G.S. 7A-31(a).

### APPENDIX III

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

G.S. 7A-340. Administrative Office of the Courts; establishment; officers. — There is hereby established a State office to be known as the Administrative Office of the Courts. It shall be supervised by a Director, assisted by an assistant director.

G.S. 7A-343. Duties of Director. — The Director is the Administrative Officer of the Courts, and his duties include the following:

- (1) Collect and compile statistical data and other information on the judicial and financial operation of other offices directly related to and serving the courts;
- (2) Determine the state of the dockets and evaluate the practices and procedures of the courts, and make recommendations concerning the number of judges, solicitors, prosecutors and magistrates required for the efficient administration of justice;
- (3) Prescribe uniform administrative and business methods, systems, forms and records to be used in the offices of the clerks of superior court;
- (4) Prepare and submit budget estimates of State appropriation necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Judicial Department, and authorize expenditures from funds appropriated for these purposes;
- (5) Investigate, make recommendations concerning and assist in the securing of adequate physical accommodations for the General Court of Justice;
- (6) Procure, distribute, exchange, transfer and assign such equipment, books, forms and supplies as are to be acquired with State funds for the General Court of Justice;
- (7) Make recommendations for the improvement of the operations of the Judicial Department;
- (8) Prepare and submit an annual report on the work of the Judicial Department to the Chief Justice, and transmit a copy to each member of the General Assembly;

- (9) Assist the Chief Justice in performing his duties relating to the transfer of district court judges for temporary or specialized duty; and
- (10) Perform such additional duties and exercise such additional powers as may be prescribed by statute or assigned by the Chief Justice.

G.S. 7A-344. Duties of assistant director. — The assistant director is the administrative assistant to the Chief Justice, and his duties include the following;

- (1) Assist the Chief Justice in performing his duties relating to the assignment of superior court judges;
- (2) Assist the Supreme Court in preparing calendars of superior court trial sessions; and
- (3) Performing such additional functions as may be assigned by the Chief Justice or the Director of the Administrative Office.

G.S. 7A-345. Information to be furnished to Administrative Officer. — All judges, solicitors, prosecutors, magistrates, clerks of superior court and other officers or employees of the courts and of offices directly related to and serving the courts shall on request furnish to the Administrative Officer information and statistical data relative to the work of the courts and of such offices and relative to the receipt and expenditure of public moneys for the operation thereof.



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